

## Message Text

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O 141444Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY LAGOS  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7898  
INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 4736

DEPT PASS HORN OF AFRICA COLLECTIVE

DAR ES SALAAM FOR AMBASSADOR EASUM

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PBOR, OAU, ET, SO  
SUBJECT: OAU MEDIATION OF THE HORN CONFLICT

REF: (A) LAGOS 4621, (B) LAGOS 4315

1. BRONSON DEDE, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO GARBA,  
TOLD POLCOUNS APRIL 13 THAT GARBA IS CONSIDERING  
PROCEEDING DIRECTLY TO ADDIS ABABA AND MOGADISCIO  
AFTER MEETINGS IN DAR.

2. HE SAID THERE WOULD BE NO EFFORT TO MEET WITH  
OTHER MEMBERS OF THE OAU GOOD OFFICES  
COMMITTEE, WHO HAVE MORE OR LESS LOST INTEREST IN THE  
EFFORT. 'THEY ARE CONTENT TO LEAVE IT TO US.' HE SAID NO

ONE BELIEVES ANYTHING CAN BE DONE BECAUSE OF THE  
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ETHIOPIANS' DEMANDS. NIGERIA AS MEDIATOR HAD TRIED TO GET  
ETHIOPIA TO RESERVE ITS DEMANDS THAT OAU DECLARE SOMALIA TO  
BE THE AGGRESSOR AND THAT SOMALIA RENOUNCE ITS TERRITORIAL  
CLAIMS IN THE OGADEN AS POINTS FOR NEGOTIATION.  
ETHIOPIA REFUSED AND INSISTED THEY BE PREREQUISITES TO  
NEGOTIATIONS.

3. DEDE CLEARLY FELT THAT AN IMPASSE HAD BEEN REACHED AND LEFT THE IMPRESSION THAT GARBA'S FORTHCOMING TRIP WAS PRIMARILY TO MAKE IT APPEAR THAT SOME PROGRESS IS BEING MADE. IN RESPONSE TO A DIRECT QUESTION, HE SAID THE NIGERIANS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF OAU ARE STILL OPPOSED TO ANY EFFORTS TO MOVE THE ISSUE TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL.  
WYMAN

NOTE BY OC/T: LAGOS 4736 NOT PASSED HORN OF AFRICA COLLECTIVE.

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